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SUBJECT: MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION MEETING, JUNE 27 1980
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1. JUNE 27, 1980 MEETING OF THE MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION OPENED AT 1100 SEOUL TIME WITH UNC PRESENTATION OF FACTS SURROUNDING JUNE 20 - 21 INFILTRATION BOAT INCIDENT. UNC CASE WAS CAREFULLY DOCUMENTED, WITH DISPLAY OF EQUIPMENT RECOVERED FROM BOAT AND STATEMENT OF CAPTURED BOAT CAPTAIN READ INTO RECORD.

2. NORTH KOREAN/CHINESE SIDE RESPONDED WITH CLAIM THAT INCIDENT WAS A FABRICATION DESIGNED TO MASK INTERNAL PROBLEMS IN THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, AND THEN WENT ON WITH SEVERAL LENGTHY STATEMENTS ACCUSING UN COMMAND OF ABUSING ARMISTICE THROUGHOUT ITS 27-YEAR HISTORY. THIS SOUP TO

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NUTS PRESENTATION INCLUDED PUEBLO AND EC121 INCIDENTS IN GRAND TOTAL OF 298,500 EVENTS. DIATRIBE WAS HEAVY ON ANTI-U.S. THEMES, WITH ACCUSATIONS COVERING BLAME FOR ALL THE ILLS OF THE PENINSULA, A TWO-KOREA POLICY, NUCLEAR WEAPONS, BROKEN PROMISES TO REMOVE TROOPS AND CONTINUING MILITARY PROVOCATIONS.

3. MEETING LASTED FROM 1100 TO 1609, WITH A 20 MINUTE BREAK. TONE CHARACTERIZED BY UNC PARTICIPANTS AS MODERATELY HARSH. LEVINE
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